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SUBJ: LOS: SOVIET CONSULTATIONS WITH ECUADOREANS

REF: A. CARACAS 3554; B. QUITO 2767

1. EMBASSY HAS ONLY SKETCHIEST INFORMATION ON VISIT TO QUITO OF ROVING SOVIET AMBASSADOR IGOR K. KOLOSOSOVSKY. WE DO KNOW, HOWEVER, THAT HE WAS HERE BRIEFLY TO DISCUSS LOS MATTERS AND, ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS, LEFT QUITO FOR LIMA ON APRIL 13.

2. DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE NOTED FROM PARA 4 OF REF B THAT IN HIS APRIL 25 MEETING WITH VISITING NATIONAL WAR COLLEGE GROUP, ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER REFERRED IN GENERAL TERMS TO A RECENT CHANGE IN SOVIET LOS POSITION. VALDEZ SAID SOVIETS NOW PREPARED TO ACKNOWLEDGE SPECIAL COASTAL STATES' RIGHTS OVER RESOURCES, INCLUDING FISH, AND HE WAS LIKELY REFLECTING WHAT HE HAD HEARD FROM KOLOSOSOVSKY.

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3. SUBSEQUENTLY EMBOFF TOOK OPPORTUNITY AT SOCIAL OCCASION MAY 2 TO ASK HEAD OF GOE FOREIGN MINISTRY TERRITORIAL SOVEREIGNTY DEPARTMENT, OSWALDO RAMIREZ, ABOUT SOVIET VISIT. RAMIREZ WAS NOT MUCH MORE EXPLICIT THAN HAD BEEN VALDEZ. HE DID, HOWEVER, SAY THAT KOLOSOSOVSKY HAD INDICATED SOVIET READINESS TO COMPLETELY ACCEPT GOE POSITION ON FISHERIES IN EXCHANGE FOR FREEDOM OF NAVIGATION AND FREEDOM OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH. PRESSED FURTHER, RAMIREZ SAID ONLY THAT FOREGOING WAS ESSENCE OF SOVIET PITCH HERE AND THERE WERE A FEW OTHER "UNIMPORTANT DETAILS."

4. COMMENT: FOREGOING IS OFFERED AS INFORMATION WHICH MIGHT COMPLEMENT REPORTS FROM ELSEWHERE ALONG KOLOSOSOVSKY'S ITINERARY. WE WILL, ON APPROPRIATE FUTURE OCCASIONS, SEEK CLARIFYING DETAILS FROM GOE OFFICIALS IN A POSITION TO KNOW.
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